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Dear Dr. Clark:

The Town of Yarmouth would like to request that the Minerals and Management Service should include in the scope of work you are requiring of Cape Wind Associates include the following items:

- the standing of local affected communities in the permitting decision process
- the regulations that towns have in place with regard to protection of coastal resources
- potential economic impacts that the proposed project may have on important components of the local economy such as tourism, property values and commercial fishing opportunities
- near-shore and offshore construction impacts including truck traffic through communities, vessel traffic offshore, and airspace traffic such as helicopters carrying personnel and equipment to the construction site
- noise and visual impacts associated with project construction and operation
- water turbidity from disturbance of bottom sediments during project construction and operation
- potential for pollution of near-shore water and shellfishing beds from spills of petroleum or other hazardous materials associated with construction and operation of the facility
- public safety with regard to recreational and commercial boat traffic, as well as air traffic

In terms of land-based impacts for communities where infrastructure



connections are contemplated, we would like to request:

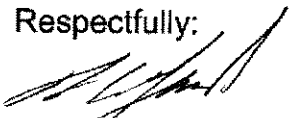
- consideration of local zoning ordinances
- consideration of local conservation commission by-law requirements
- type and impact of infrastructure associated with construction and operation of the facility

We also believe it is appropriate to request that MMS include in their DEIS a thorough review of issues that have been raised in the past including:

- review of alternatives to Cape Wind including onshore projects and additional offshore sites than the three sites identified by MMS
- a broad statement of purpose and need so that solutions are not limited to the area in the immediate Nantucket Sound region
- public safety issues
- economic impacts and risks associated with the project
- complete cost/benefit analysis to be provided to the public for review

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Respectfully:



Robert C. Lawton Jr.
Town Administrator